Fig. in Nos.

District	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
Lakhimpur	721	2462	2571

Annual LPG Consumption in Himachal Pradesh

867. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of annual LPG consumption in Himachal Pradesh;.

(b) if so, the estimated quantity of LPG required for domestic and commercial use separately in the State during the current year; and

(c) by when, this requirement is likely to be fulfilled by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) and (b) The estimated demand of LPG in Himachal Pradesh for the current year (1999-2000) for the domestic and commercial use is 53.7 TMT and 2.58 TMT respectively.

(c) The LPG demand of the existing customers in the State is being met by and large in full.

Report of Nitish Sengupta Committee

868. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Nitish Sengupta panel for Petroleum sector had submitted its Report to Government;

(b) if so, the highlights of the Report;

(c) how many recommendations are accepted by Government; and

(d) the reasons of non-acceptance of remaining recommendations (Recommendations-wise)?